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Title: Systems to Promote Dissolution of Thrombi in the Thoracic Cavity

**RESPONSE**

**SUBMITTED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This Response responds to the Office Action mailed July 11, 2006, which was designated a being final.

An automatic three month extension to respond, up to and including January 11, 2007, is respectfully requested. The requisite fee accompanies this Response. A Request for Continued Examination also accompanies this Response.

The Examiner's attention is directed to the Information Disclosure Statement that accompanies this amendment.

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